IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application of: Antonio Covacci, Massimo Bugnoli, John Telford, Giovanni Macchia, Rino Rappuoli For: HELICOBACTER PYLORI CAI ANTIGEN EXPRESS MAIL LABEL NO: EV 160094039 US DATE OF DEPOSIT: July 8, 2003 ENTPOOUTOBANZ ☐ Mail Stop Patent Application ☐ Mail Stop Design ☒ Mail Stop Sequence Listing Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 Sir: PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL LETTER Transmitted herewith for filing, please find: A Utility Patent Application under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b). \boxtimes A Utility Patent Application under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b) as follows: A Continuation of Application No. ___/___.

A Divisional of Application No.09/410,835.

A Design Patent Application (submitted in duplicate).

A Continuation-in-part of Application No. ___/___.

The ab	ove-ide	entified	application includes the following:						
	A Request for Nonpublication								
	A Specification including claims and abstract on pages 1 to								
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no new	matter		earlier application Serial No.09/410,835 Filed October 1, 1999, to which added. Such earlier application is hereby incorporated into the present ce.						
		A copy of the executed oath or declaration filed in the earlier applica identified above is attached.							
		An Associate Power of Attorney executed by @@ who is listed in the copy of t executed Declaration and Power of Attorney filed herewith.							
		A Copy of the Power of Attorney with Revocation filed in prior Application Na.							
		Signed Statement deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application.							
		Please enter the amendment as follows to the specification under the "Cross-Reference to Related Applications" section (or amend the specification to include such a section as the first paragraph):							
			"This application is a continuation/divisional/continuation-in-part [choose one] of @@, filed @@ the entirety of which is incorporated herein by reference." [List others in chain as needed]						
			"This application claims benefit of Provisional Application No @@, filed @@, the entirety of which is incorporated herein by reference."						
\boxtimes	This application claims foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119 of Applica No. FI 92A000052 filed March 2, 1992 in Italy (Country).								
	\boxtimes	A Certi	fied Copy of each of the above applications for which priority is claimed:						
		\square is enclosed.							
		has been filed in prior application Serial No. PCT/EP93/00472 filed March							
<u>2, 1993</u>	<u>3</u> .								
⊠ 14 :	Sheets o	of Form	al Drawings and/or Photographs.						
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		Petition	n to Accept Color Photographs is enclosed.						

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	A newly Executed Assignment or Request to Cross-Reference Earlier Recorde Assignment assigning rights to @@ A Recordation Form Cover Sheet. Recordation Fee - \$40.00.						
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	A Pre	iminary Amendment is enclosed.					
	A Seq	uence listing consisting of pages 1-20.					
	\boxtimes	Diskette Containing Sequence Listing is enclosed.					
		The computer readable form in the above-identified application is identical with that filed in Application Serial Number, filed In accordance with 37 CFR 1.821(e), please use the sequence listing filed on and received by the PTO on as the computer readable form filed in that application as the computer readable form for the instant application. It is understood that the Patent and Trademark Office will make the necessary change in application number and filing date for the computer readable form that will be used for the instant application.					
		A paper copy of the Sequence Listing:					
		was filed in the above-identified parent application on and received by the PTO on					
		is included herewith in a separately filed preliminary amendment for incorporation into the specification.					
	\boxtimes	A Statement to Support Submission of Sequence Information is enclosed.					
	Inforn	nation Disclosure Statement including:					
		Form 1449.					
		Copies of References @@-@@ listed on the attached Form PTO-1449					
	A copy of Petition for Extension of Time as filed in the prior case for copendency. Appended Material as follows:						

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FEE	CALCULAT	ION:		_								
	Applicant(s) by its/their undersigned attorney, claims small entity status under 37 C.F.R. §1.27 as:											
	an Independent Inventor											
	a Small Business Concern											
	a Nonprofit Organization.											
	Cancel in this application original claims of the prior application before calculating the filing fee. (At least one independent claim must be retained for filing purposes.)											
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- The Commissioner is hereby requested to grant an extension of time for the appropriate length of time, should one be necessary, in connection with this filing or any future filing submitted to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in the above-identified application during the pendency of this application. The Commissioner is further authorized to charge any fees related to any such extension of time to deposit account 23-3050. This sheet is provided in duplicate.
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